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baddest video game
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Editor's note:

This magazine is dedicated to the year through my eyes: not a teacher's, not the administration. A student, the small cog in the campus story.

You've

probably never noticed me walking around campus. I don't stand out, at least I try not to. Sometimes you snubbed me or laughed in my general direction, or sometimes you thought I looked funny or went a little too far. I guess I could have stopped making this magazine a long time ago. It's easy to give up.

I did not give up. And even if you don't appreciate what I've done for you, I did it anyway. I saw all

of your hopes and dreams. I watched your failures and defeats. I saw a whole year in the life of Park College. Not only that, but I put it down on paper for you. I gave you something to look at and think about.

This is you, Park College.



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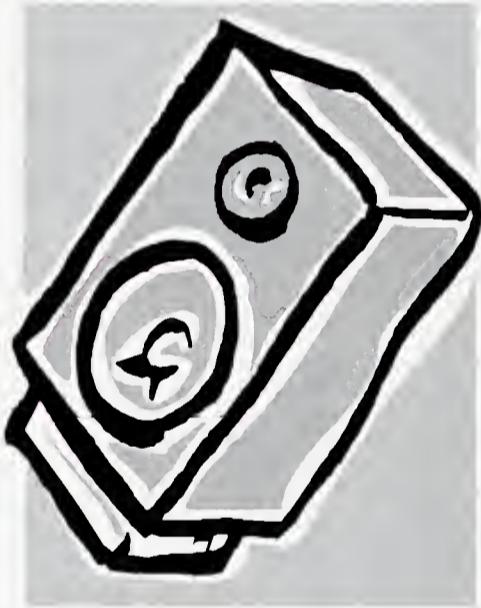


KGSP



Freshman radiostudent,
Cheryl Henry uses her time
wisely.

photo by Jeff Stapleton



"I enjoy doing the eclectic lunch," Promotions Director Michelle Childers says, "Basically I'm entertaining myself."

Pirate Radio is not only entertaining itself, it has been an institution at Park College. The Station gained new capabilities such as a mini-disc player and a Digital Audio Tape machine, basically a digital tape that can record 124 minutes of

sound. This puts the station, "technically ahead of most radio stations", as Music Director Pat Schultz put it.

"The DAT machine we haven't used yet. I don't even know if we know how to use it. It's like a centerpiece on the coffee table. You talk about it, but you don't know what the hell it is."

That technical superiority is only as good as the jockeys who serve the tunes. One of the biggest problems with running the station is the lack of interested jocks.

"The main thing is to make sure all the slots are full. We need a D.J. for every slot. Once the slots are full you have to make sure they stay. It seems about halfway through the semester the interest seems to wain. People stop showing up," Schultz says.

"The next big problem with running the station is equipment problems. A lot of our equipment is dated, like the control board. Or only one channel will work on air or a compact disc player blows up."

"It's just like any other job, if people do what they're supposed to it goes well, but if halfway through the semester people don't care it gets hard for us in management."

That problem isn't one to be dealt with lightly by any KGSP official.

"Hang 'em' in the gallows in front of Copley," Childers said.

"We could make a promotion out of it. We'd give out free CDs and t-shirts that say 'I survived the hanging'. People could get their pictures taken with the bodies. It'd be great."



I TO YOU
HEY YOU
HAVE A
ACE NOW
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photo by Jeff Stapleton

What is the seven second delay switch?

“A device used to censor the thoughts and opinions of others, because that’s what radio is all about.”

--Barb Yost



photo by Danny Bright



1998 MCMA Awards



photos by Jeff Stapleton

The 1998 Missouri College Media Association Awards took place in St. Louis this year. The Stylus took 19 awards home to display. Kevin Kuzma, Sara Hantzis and Sarah Seidelman all took home awards for writing.

And while the awards were great, the real treat for the group was the time they got to spend together. Experiences such as riding the Metrolink, which closed for the night before the group got back to the hotel, setting up a small adventure. It took two cabs and nearly thirty dollars to get the group back, all accounted for, safe and sound.

Lunch at Dick Clark's, dinner at T.G.I. Friday's and a panel discussion lined the itinerary, but a walk around Busch stadium and some after hours antics came into play later. Unfortunately, rabid Cardinal fans kept the group from enjoying a ball game, but maybe that would've been too much.

Stylus





photos by Tim Marks



Nicholas Jumara
'zens out' as the other
cast members attempt
to figure out what is
going on, during the
production of *Greet-
ings* (above).

Cast: (pictured right)

*David King
Nicholas Jumara
Laura Mooney
Kristy Smarker
Wes Ziegenhorn*

*Phil Gorski
Mickey Gorski
Emily Gorski
Andy's Fiancee
Andy Gorski*





Theater In the Park

**To Gillian: on her 37th
Birthday**

*D*avid.....Leon R. Fields
*R*achel.....Sarah Suzanne Gay
*C*indy.....Sara Hantzis
*K*evin.....Liz Whitehead
*P*aulBradley Baska
*E*sther.....Mindy M. Walker
*G*illian.....Cindy Latimore

Leon Fields,
Sara hantzis
and Liz White-
head act out a
scene (left) the
entire cast gets
retrospective
(far right)



Park College Theatre
Presents

To Gillian: on her 37th Birthday

“This play was definitely
written by a feminist,
male or female.”

--Laura White

--Sarah Gay

“It’s a humorous drama.
You’ll laugh, you’ll cry.”





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STORIES

Many college students are confused when they have to choose their major. Many questions arise: Do I qualify for this major? Do I have what it requires? Do I like this field of studies? What career opportunities do I have after graduation? The list goes on.

College students have to answer these questions from one's self before choosing a major. It is one of the biggest decisions of students' lives. It is a hard decision to make, and if you feel like you are alone do not worry, because we have all been there.

"I changed majors three or four times in college," said Paul Rounds, an Executive Vice-President for Administration. "I traveled a lot to Latin America when I was a kid," said Rounds. "I loved Latin America and I chose Latin American studies as my major in college. I did it

based on what I loved. I also majored in economics, because I understood that it would be hard to get a job being only a Latin American studies major."

Rounds suggest that the students in their freshman and sophomore years should take as many different classes as they can to find what they are passionate about.

"It may mean an extra year of college," he said, "but it's the rest of your life you're deciding. If you are still undecided when you are a junior, maybe you need to drop off for a year," he said. "Find people you are passionate about and eventually you'll find what is passionate to you."

Ronald Brecke, a professor of political science, touched this issue on his "History of Political Philosophy" class.

"Too many students

have this economical thinking in the backs of their heads when they come to college," said Brecke. "Then you see them coming back to Park for a second degree so they can do what they really want. Find out what makes you happy," he said raising his hands, "and for crying out loud go and do it!"

According to Clarinda Creighton, Vice President for enrollment, management, and student services, Park College offers help to students who are undecided in many ways.

"We have a brochure for undecided majors," Creighton said, "Career development center offers a test that provides students career

counseling. Freshman seminar is also helpful for students."

Park College offers three different majors in arts - fine art, graphic design and art education. Donna Bachmann is the associate professor of art.

Walter Pelletier is a 35 year old senior with a double major in graphic design and art education.

"My own experience from school was a big factor. There weren't many teachers who took time with students and their art. Art is abstract. I never knew that at school. I want to teach that to children.

Major

I'm pretty good with children and I love to work with them. The key is to talk to the children, not at them. Another factor for me was that my Mom was also an artist, and she has supported me all the way."

"I feel that I can learn from children and what they offer, it is really awarding. I will be certified to teach kids from first to fifth grade. On the side I want to pursue my personal art (graphic design, photography and graphics.) The more I can learn about art, the more I can teach."

"I will move to North Carolina or California or somewhere near the ocean. I will probably try to get masters in art education. Most important to me is to live by the beach so I can surf a lot."

Patrick Wilkerson is a 21 year-old senior majoring



Noelani Robertson fixes a project for of her video classes (top), Angela Dozier studies history and the globe (far top).

in computer science.

"It sounded exciting and interesting. It's always changing and it's always a challenge to learn new things that come to the field."

"Opportunities are unlimited. Everything that deals with computers is an opportunity to me. This includes networking, programming etc. I see myself working in some office writing software. Eventually, I want to own a bookstore. It is sort of a retirement plan after I make a lot of money."

Business administration is the largest department at Park. The school offers five different majors in the field of business: economics,

"At first I had a major in human services, but I just couldn't handle it. I just changed to history and ended up loving it. History runs in a cycle. Reading about things that occurred a long time ago and are happening again right now is fascinating to me. Eventually I will go to grad-school to have a master's degree in history or art history."

Park College offers a major in chemistry using the latest technology in the new science building. Levi Young is a 19 year-old freshman studying in the honors program, majoring in chemistry and has a minor in biology.

"I want to become a doctor and in order to go to med-school I have to have

chemistry or biology as a major. There are many labs in

the field of chemistry in the area. I can work as a lab assistant, lab researcher or anything that goes on in the lab. I will definitely go to med-school. I really want to be a doctor and concentrate on surgery. I would like to pursue my soccer career after college, and who knows, maybe I'll get married."

Political science, legal studies and public administration is another big area of concentration at Park College. RoShanda Cayette is a 19 year-old sophomore who has a double major in public administration and legal studies.

"I hope, no, I will be a lawyer and that's why I chose legal studies. If things don't go well in law I can always go back to politics. That's why I chose public adminis-



photos by Aleks Valta

tration. I have dreamed about being a lawyer for a long time. To be a lawyer is a challenge. In public administration I can see what people think. It is a wide field. I can be a lawyer, legal aid, assistant for politicians and hold a position in any political office. I'm leaving Missouri and go to a law school in a big city like Texas, New York or California. I want to start a business with someone, but eventually I'd like to earn my own law firm."

Communication art offers majors in five different disciplines: journalism, photojournalism, radio/television, communications theory/human relations, and public relations.

Noelani Robertson is a 22 year-old senior majoring in television broadcasting.

"It sounded like exciting and fascinating business. I think that news is interesting. Everyone is worth of a story. It is challenging to go out there, do a story and find people who are willing to go on TV. You hear two sides of a story and you have to put it all in as one story. That is really challenging. I can be a reporter, anchor, producer or

do editing. I'd like to be a reporter in entertainment. Hopefully I'll find a good market finding myself going to the top."

Clarinda Creighton, Vice President for enrollment, management and student services, teaches human services. Jeremy Bradley is a 20 year-old junior majoring in human services.

"I want to be a fireman, and human services was the closest thing to what I want to do. Hard days of work in the fire department. Fighting blazes, you know."

Park College English department offers majors in writing and in language and literature. Vaughn Commack is a 25 year-old senior majoring in language and literature.

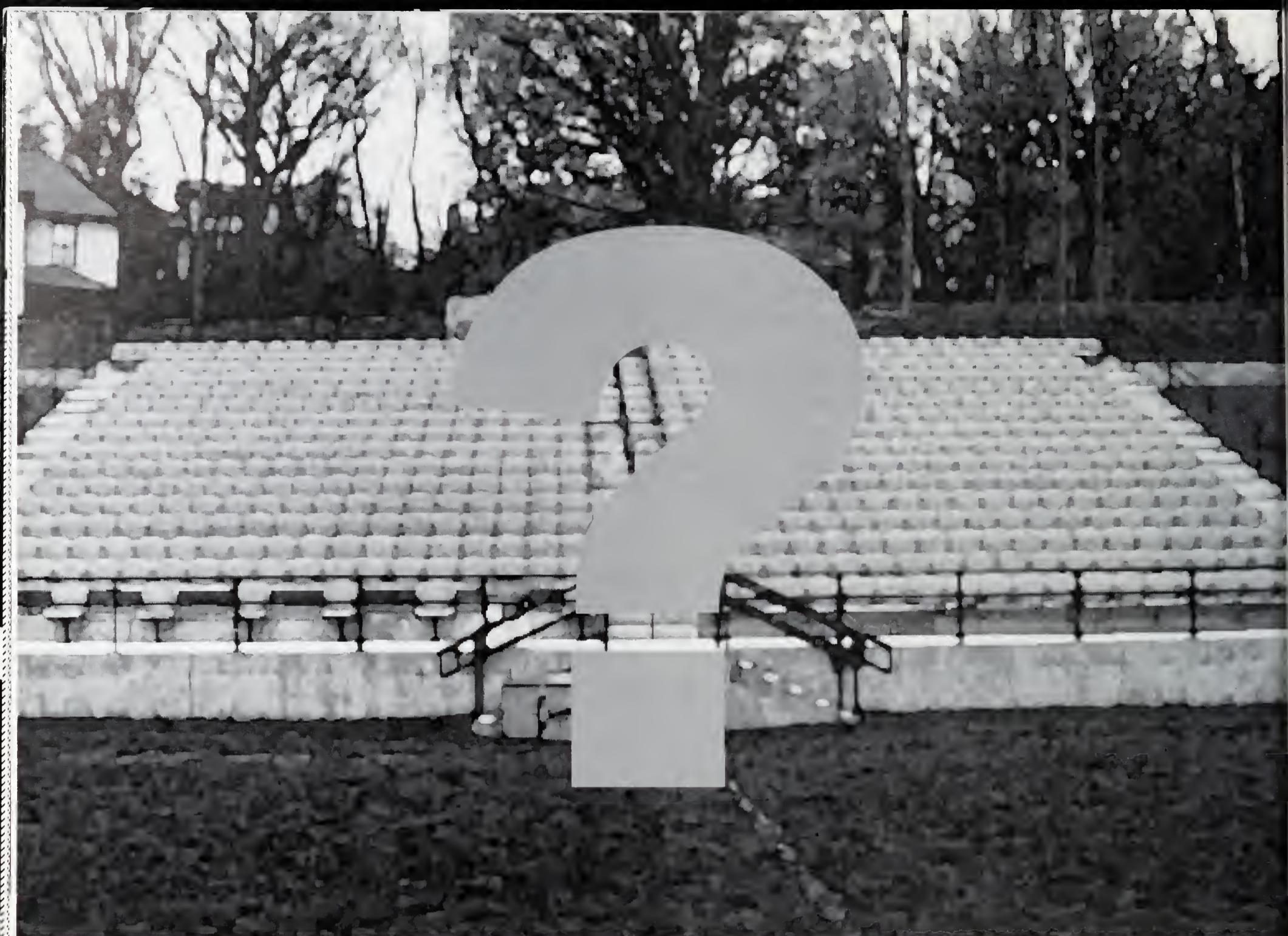
"I have been writing poetry all my life and I wanted to pursue that freedom to create. In English classes you get to choose the topic you write about and create yourself. It branches off to a whole lot of things. I can work in human relations, public relations, and I can major in lot of things in grad school. I'd love to publish my poetry to people, or maybe even novels."

Issue

finance, international business, management and marketing. Dr. J'Noel Ball is the assistant professor of finance. Tan Nguyen is a 22 year-old senior with a double major in finance and management.

"It seemed interesting. It was what I liked, and there is a lot of money in this field. Dealing with numbers and people is interesting to me. I will help people move on in their lives and that is helpful to me. It is more self-fulfilling than anything else. After graduation major thing is finding a good job, a nice woman and, in the long run, get married."

History is one of the oldest majors at Park College. Angela Dozier is a 22 year-old senior who is majoring in history.



“The jungle” Julian field is a new structure on an expanding campus.

What name should the school have when it becomes a university?



“University of P.
Good old UOP.”
-Karl O'Reilly



“Players University!”
-Julie Olinares



“Park Missouri State.
PMS.”
-Osvaldo Barreras

Can Park be a University?



Can Park College be a university?

This question may sound silly to those who are pushing for the status of university to be bestowed on Park College. But the question is quite valid. What does Park have that makes it, unmistakably, university material?

Park College announced its intentions in February of 1998, even though the conversion had been going on behind the scenes for eight years. The plans are for Park College to become a university on January 1st, 2000.

Park College has been on a building spree for a few years now. There is a new science building on the hill. The underground has been expanded to unprecedented levels, and signs and billboards have popped up around every corner. Park College has a brand new soccer stadium, and student participation in the sports programs has increased substantially. And Park will soon have a baseball team.

What Park College doesn't have is an overabundance of on-campus students, as most universities do. Some are also concerned about the number of extracurricular activities available.

Regardless, the college will become a university, and it's only a matter of time now.

Mackay Hall was completed in 1893, with a grand staircase included. The staircase was removed several years ago to accommodate the elevator.

Polly Hawley, wife of Park College's third President, is said to still wander the building. Few people enjoy being in the 103 year old building at

night where Polly is rumored to wander the building, especially the staircase in a white dress.

When the operator's booth was still located inside Mackay the students who worked there would tell of strange noises late at night. Others have been there late at night and heard

someone call their name, only to find no one around to call it. A year ago when the wiring was being replaced, the crew were inside 24 hours a day. In one report a worker was inside at 2:00 a.m. and he felt some breath on the back of his neck, but when he turned no one was there. He left and never came back.



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The observatory was built in 1896.

It is a lovely and quaint building during the day, but after dark it presents an entirely different aspect. Isolated on a hill, surrounded by trees, the building has an unnerving aura around it.

A broken-hearted female student hung herself from the catwalk in the 1930's after being jilted by her boyfriend.

On some nights she can still be heard to cry out in pain.

The Observatory

The Chapel

The original chapel was destroyed by a fire on Christmas night 1937. Is the ghost of the Chapel someone who was caught in that fire?

Around 8:30p.m. one night, a group of admissions counselors were preparing for registration the next day. They brought boxes down to get a head start on the next morning. They were joking around and laugh-

ing when all of a sudden the closet door opened. Someone emerges in a panic and asks if they know how to work the organ. Then he disappeared into the chapel itself.

The group was bewildered and exchanged glances and quickly went to open the Chapel doors, only to discover no one inside. On the organ is a layer of dust, no one has played it for weeks.

Herr House

Built in 1934 to be a dormitory, it has been used as such to the present

Numerous stories abound regarding the fourth floor. People have experienced cold spells, and eerie feelings

A few years ago, Herr House was being used as a women's dormitory.

The RA woke up during the night and went to the restroom. She was startled to see male feet in a stall. Assuming it was someone visiting the dorm she went out into the hall to wait for him to leave. Thirty minutes passed and he had still not left, so she looked in again. The feet were

Do You Believe in Ghosts?



“Yes, I think they’re damned to walk around Park college. Isn’t that torture enough?”

-Laura Mooney



“No, I’ve never had a ghost come up and snatch me away”



“No. Where I come from you don’t have to worry about ghosts as much as witchcraft.”

-Erik

Right Place, Right Time...

Quietly Kevin Kuzma graduated from Washington High School in Kansas City, Kansas. Just as quietly he went to Kansas University that same fall. After only a semester there, he transferred to Johnson County Community College.

"I went to KU for a semester," Kuzma said, "my roommate's mom redeveloped cancer and my roommate wanted to move home to be with her. So we moved home and I went to Johnson County Community College for a year and a half."

"I was very lost, I had lost all

idea of what I wanted to do. I went to KU because I thought it would be neat to go to a big school and not have anyone know me.

"I was walking through Johnson County, and I was thinking I didn't know what I wanted to do. I started thinking about what I wanted to do, and I decided I was pretty good at Journalism in high school, so I went in to the counselor's office and asked if he knew about a school that I could go to study that. I told the counselor wanted to write for the paper; he told me

to go to Park."

Kuzma's tenure at Park was anything but quiet. He edited the student newspaper two years, where he was known to make plenty of noise. He graduated in May, 1998.

During the summer before he came to Park, Kuzma developed a bad case of chicken pox and was too ill to enroll in school. His mother came to Park and enrolled him in all of his classes.

"She came into my office alone to enroll Kevin," John Lofflin, associate professor of journalism, recalls. "She had all the paper work and she was nonsense about it. I thought, this mother really cares about this kid. He's gonna be somebody."

It was the first day of class before Kevin had even stepped foot on campus.

"On my first day at Park, I sat in the wrong class," Kuzma recalls. "Then a lady hit my car in the parking lot. The first time I talked to Mr. Lofflin, I had chicken pox scars and a shaved head. He looked at me like I was a freak."

After his first semester at Park, Kuzma was certain that he was going to leave; he didn't think he would like the atmosphere. He was certain he had made another mistake about college.

Kuzma was painting houses with a friend that summer, and they passed Park College every day on the way to work. During one of these days, he realized he wanted to stay at Park and finish his degree.

"I thought that I owed it to my mom to do a good job," Kuzma says. "I figured out that Park is the type of school that you get out of it what you put in to it."

Kuzma put long hours into his work on the *Stylus*. It was not uncommon to find him still sitting in front of the *Stylus* computer before the sun came up on Friday morning with the paper due at the printer by 8 a.m.

"He wrote news, features, a column, editorials, made photographs, designed pages and sort of ran meetings," Lofflin says. "Actually, he ran meetings with a great respect for democracy. Too great. Meetings ran him."

He was a variety of newspaper awards during his years at Park so that traipsing up to the front at the Missouri Student Media Association annual conference to pick up certificates got to be a habit. He was selected Parkite his senior year.

Unlike most columnists, Kuzma choose not to write one last editorial. He didn't say, 'good bye' with a column.

"I just felt like I've said everything I want to say," Kuzma explained.

Kevin Kuzma left Park in the same fashion that he came, quietly and with a bald head. However, he didn't leave Park the same place that it was when he came.

"Sometimes the only reason I have to read the paper is Kevin's article," Mike Johnson, 1997 graduate declared.



photo by Esa Lehikoinen



STUDENT LIFE



photo by Jeff Stapleton

The crowd got rowdy at the "Jungle" Julian Field during the Harvest Fest game (**above**), Aric Peek tried his best during a bubble gum blowing contest (**right**), Chris Vittorino had lots of support for the Harvest Fest victory over William Woods University (**bottom**).



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photo by Jeff Stapleton



May I have this dance?

photos by Jeff Stapleton

the night away...



Sandy Bell dons a wig and a smile (**far left**), Mikki Massey and Levi Young share a special moment (**center left**), Larry Parker gets ready to electrify the dance floor (**near left**), Janel Allen chows down (**above**).

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ON CAMPUS





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Erin Keifer, in disguise as a container of Sonic fries, hugs a special education student from the Kansas City Missouri School District. It was part of a field day event put on by Park College and the Outdoor Club (**above**), J. 'Bear' Walker practices for a shot at the NFL draft (**far**

left), Kevin Kuzma and Pat Schultz share and intimate moment during the Radio/Newspaper BBQ (**top left**), and seniors Antionne Newbill and Angela Dozier had some watergun hijinks before the "no guns" rule was put into effect by the administration (**bottom left**)..

ON CAMPUS



‘Surly’ Jim serves greasy food in the galley to eager students (Top) *photo by Whitney Curtis*, Shannon Lawrence feeds during the Com Arts BBQ *photo by Jeff Stapelton (left)*, Ron Brecke and Erin Moor share cigarettes in the galley *photo by Whitney Curtis (right)*.

Where do you eat on campus?



"Vending Machines."
-Tim Marks



"My Dorm Room. But it sucks because it's usually noodle, and there's no table or chairs."
-Tiffany Theiss



"The vending area in Copley's first floor is very nice. I love the atmosphere and the lighting, ooohh, and the food is to die for."
-Sara Hantzis



"Not the cafeteria. Some of the stuff... I don't know what they put into it."
-Courtney Husbands



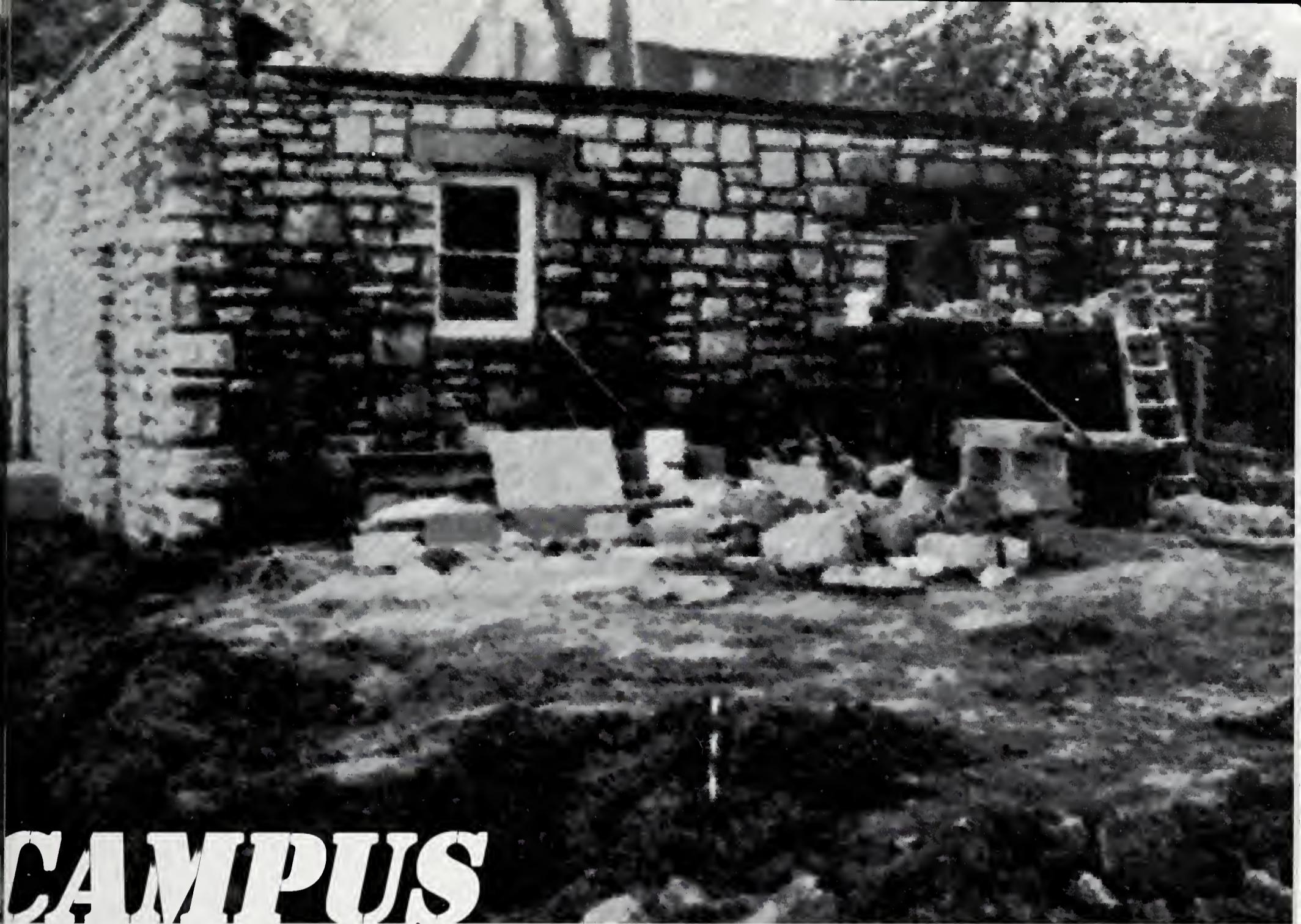


CONSTRUCTION ON

a photo essay
by Pat Schultz

Park Hill High School enjoys the inexpensive underground layout for some of its offices (**top left**), the ceramics building underwent a major facelift after the stadium was built (**top right**), kids of all ages can enjoy the new jungle gyms on campus (**right**), a worker finishes the touches on some brickwork (**far right**).





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women's basketball

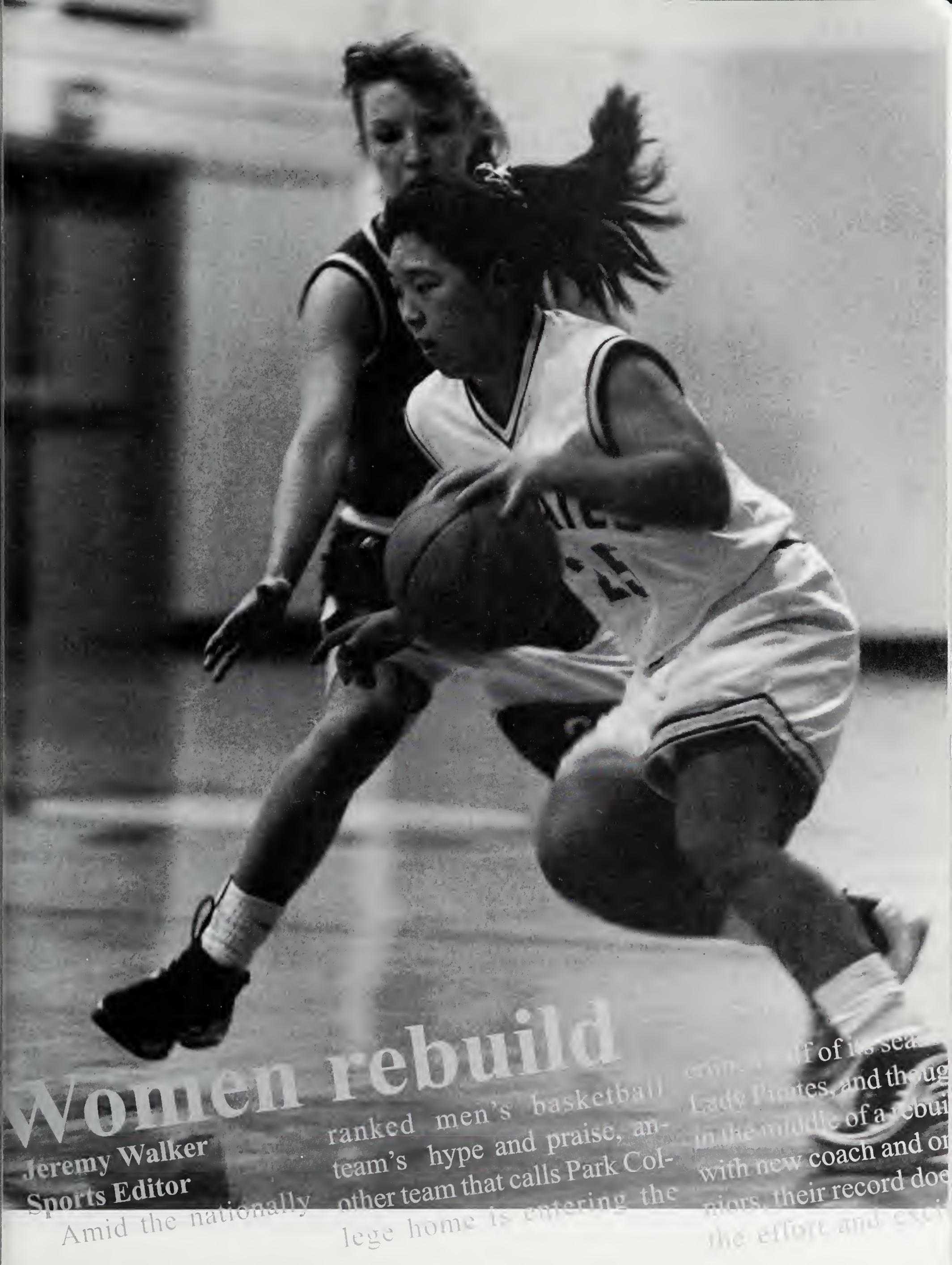


All Conference Selection:
Janel Ikeda

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Heather Weers
Rachel Knittel

Physical play leads to 4th victory

Jeremy Walker
Sports Editor



Wolfe on rebuild

Jeremy Walker

Sports Editor

Amid the nationally

ranked men's basketball team's hype and praise, another team that calls Park College home is entering the

of its second year of existence, and though in the middle of a rebuild with new coach and ownership, their record does not reflect the effort and esprit de corps that has been shown by the players and coaches.

Melissa Bergbauer finishes up a lay-up (below), Roshanda Cayette awaits the rebound (right).



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The Lady
Pirates
had a
tough
season,
winning
only 5
games

Shooting

FG %	31.4
3 pt goal%	24.8
Free Throw %	57.2

Rebounding

Off. Rebound %	35.7
Def. Rebound %	59.5

Scoring

Pts. off turnovers	174
Pts off bench	624

men's basketball

Bethea finishes 7th best scorer in nation

Walter Bethea, junior guard, finished seventh in the nation in individual scoring in NAIA men's first division after regular season. He averaged 23.37 points per game and sank 95 three pointers in 27 games played.



Aleksi Valta
Stylus Reporter

Missouri Valley College Vikings came to Lakeview Middle School on Jan. 26 with hopes to improve their 9-9 record. Park College Pirates had other plans. Aiming for the first top-25 ranking in the Park College history the Pirates wiped out the Vikings quickly. Led by Walter Bethea, the Pirates took the lead early on with the clock at 9:30 to go in the first half, the Pirates were up 28-6 and the game was over.

"It all comes from the defense," said Bethea, Ameriean Midwest Conference player of the week for Jan. 20. "We're all playing for the team and put on some extra defensive effort, and that's how we win."

Pirates' defense was aggressive and that opened fast breaks for the offense. The starters looked confident in the field and the Pirates were up 51-18 at half time.

"We are a quick team," said Coach Claude English. "We set up some on def-

well today."

English used the entire roster (13 players) in the second half and the Pirates improved their record to 16-4. Frustrated by the Pirates' aggressiveness, the Vikings quickly filled their team fouls and got to practice their free throws, succeeding with a 76.7 percentage.

Bethea, who was unstoppable with 36 points, sank eight out of nine free throws and received support from Beville Taitte who had 14 points and 10 rebounds in 17 minutes that he played. Pirates sank the Vikings ship with the final score of 98-55 with 10 players on the scoreboard.

The Pirates are on an eight game winning streak, the longest winning streak in the programs' history.

"We have c-

the whole team is more consistent. Knowing your role and wanting what is expected of you builds confidence, and of course winning," said English, smiling.

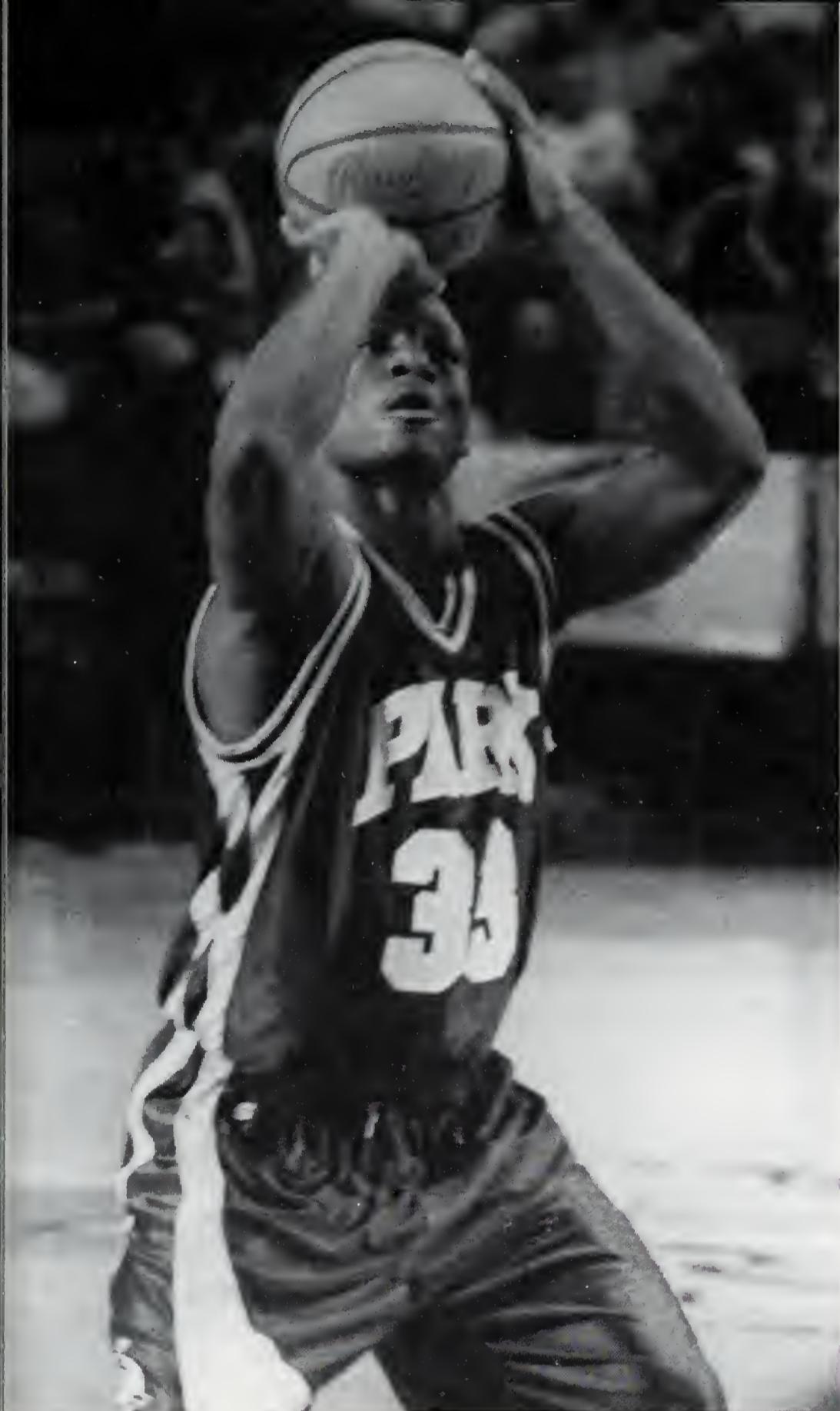
"This season different guys have stepped up for the team," said English. "And that's what makes it an outstanding season."

On Jan. 28, the men's basketball team was nationally ranked for the first time in Park history. The team tallied the 22nd placing in the nation.

"I really doubt that there's 25 better teams than us in the nation," said Coach English a day before the rankings.

On Jan. 29 the Pirates celebrated their

Bethea take

*photo by Pat Schultz*

team to the polls

Jump

Anson Taitt, the 6-foot-5-inch forward from Trinidad, West Indies, cuts to the basket against the Columbia College Cougars, on the Pirate home floor. The Pirates were victorious at the Palace, conquering the visiting opponent by a final score of 73-63. During a ten minute, second half stretch, Park went on a 30-4 run, delivering the final knock out blow to their conference rival. The Pirates will take the home floor once again March 7, at 7 p.m. This time, the Pirates won't be wrapping up the regular season and conference title. They will be battling in the second round, semi-final of the American Midwest Conference (AMC) tournament. The Pirates hope to take the conference tournament and move on to the NAIA national tournament with a series of late season wins behind them. The nation's best divi-

close with AM player of the week

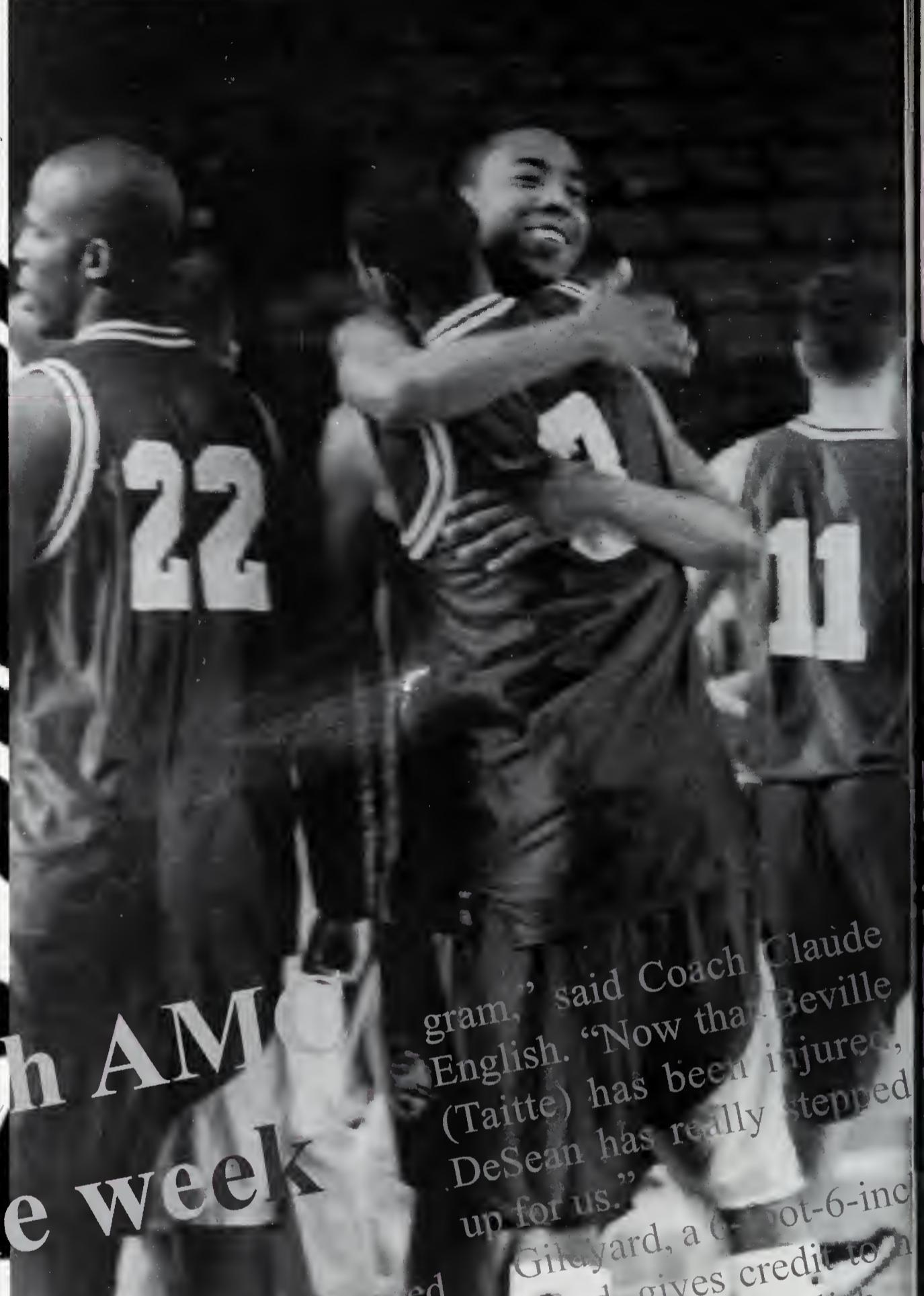
Eksi Valta
Yulus Reporter

DeSean Gildyard was named American Midwest Conference basketball Player of the week for Feb. 9-15, leading the Pirates to

a 3-0 record. Gildyard averaged 20 points and grabbed 10 to nine rebounds in each win. He averaged 15 points and 8.6 rebounds in the regular season and finished ninth best scorer in the conference.

"DeSean is one of the most improved athletes in this pro-

photo by Pat Schultz



gram," said Coach Claude English. "Now that Beville (Taitte) has been injured, DeSean has really stepped up for us."

Gildyard, a 6-foot-6-inch forward, gives credit to his teammates and English.

"My personal playing has been a lot better than previous seasons," said Gildyard. "It's all about confidence and that comes when you work hard. The team can really come together."



Pirates clean up:

Columbia College jumps ship

Aleksi Valta
Stylus Reporter

After a tough overtime loss at Hannibal-La Grange, the Pirates returned home on Feb. 21 to finish their regular season and fight for the American Midwest Conference title against Columbia College Cougars. They came away with a school record, a conference title and stolen victory, but not without a fight.

Ranked 17th in the nation, the Pirates got off to a slow start, although their spirit did not. The Pirates could not get the ball inside and were forced to shoot from outside. Five players in a row tried their luck with a three pointers unsuccessfully. The loose defensive play of the men gave room to Adam Hunziker and Ryan Niessen, who led the Cougars to the half time with a 33-27 lead.

Referees had the worst start of the second half. Their calls were from another planet, against both teams, however. But as the game heated up, the referee's calls intensified the action.

Photo by Whitney Curtis

The Cougars were crisp in the start of the second half and extended their lead to 13 points. Then something happened. It was called: Comeback.

When 12:51 remained on the clock, the Pirates changed the momentum of the game and went on a 15-0 run, not score a single point. The Pirates played with a new intensity, putting on a defensive effort unseen in the Park Sport Complex this semester.

Walter Bethea had another phenom-

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WOMENS' SOFTBALL



Melissa Simmons gears up for a new season (above), Heather Curry lets it go on the pitcher's mound (above right), Michelle Faulconer prepares to tag a runner (right).

photos by Whitney Curtis





Women's Softball





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VOLLEY•BALL



men's Senior class team plays seven at home

Esa Lehtinen
Stylus Reporter

Palo's men's volleyball team is facing a tough schedule with plenty of confidence. The regular season includes 35 games, only eight to be played at home in the cozy Pirate Palace.

The team looks confident and

convinced after a pre-season filled with practices to learn a new playing system different from last year, says Bertil Wamelink, men's volleyball head coach.

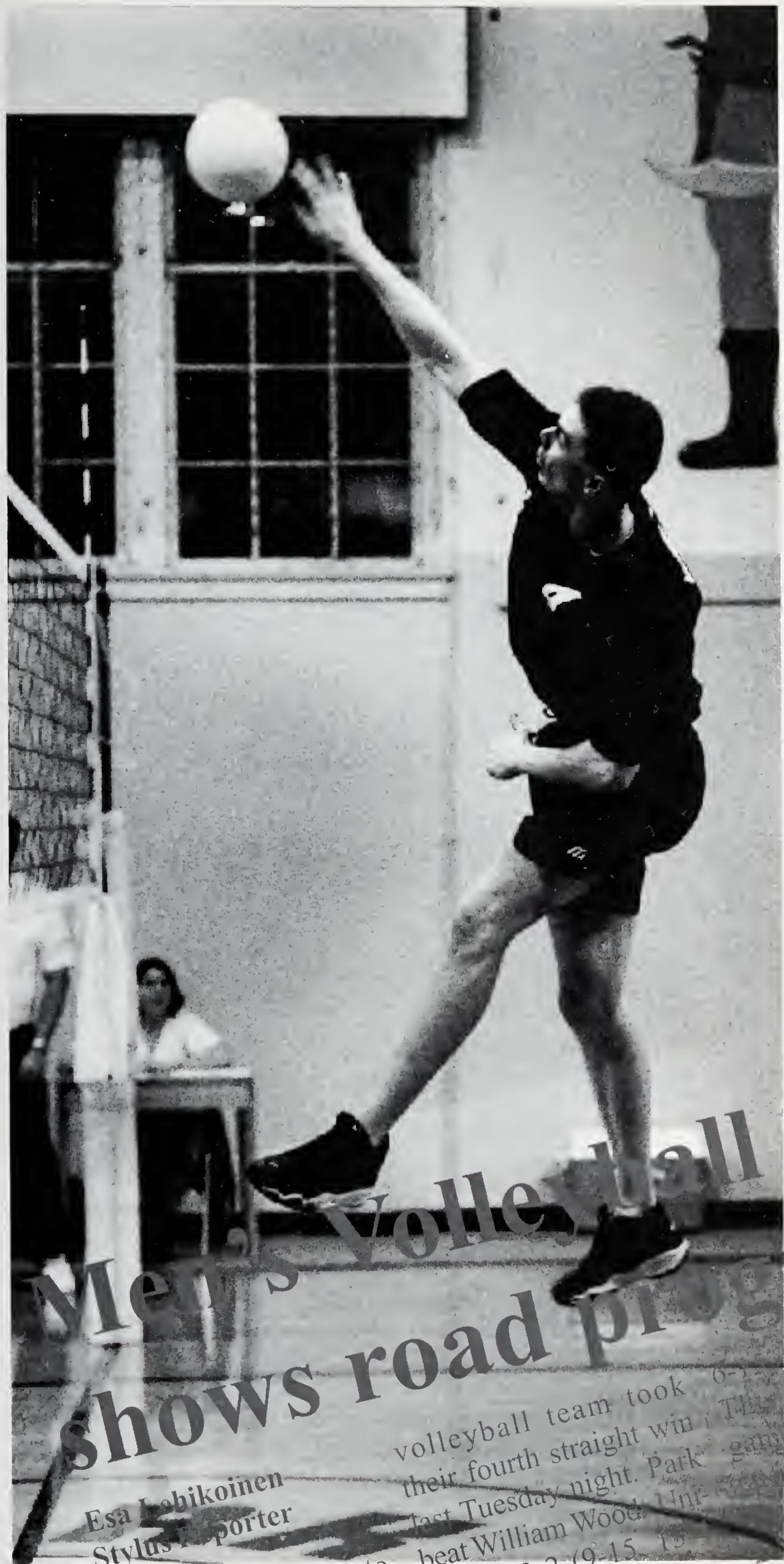
"Team worked hard during the pre-season," said Wamelink, "they came together as a team, now they have to prove it on the court. We look good, and we

photos by Mark Coffey

have a strong lineup with some surprises for the opponents."

Four middle hitters are gone from the last season, but the players still have faith in the team to be even better than last year, when they were third in the nation.

"I think the team is better," said Lorenzo Barrientez, junior



Men's volleyball shows road

Esa Lehtikoinen
Stylus Reporter

After a slow start to the season, men's volleyball team took their fourth straight win last Tuesday night. Park beat William Woods University 3-2 (9-15, 15-

Men's volleyball returns 0-3 from road trip

During the Valentine's weekend men's volleyball played two matches in Chicago, Ill. Lewis University proved to be better, winning 3-0 (16-14, 15-1, 15-9), and in the second match Loyola University crashed Pirates 3-0 (15-5, 15-5, 15-7).

Marycrest International University in Iowa hosted Park in their third road match in three days and did not give any chances to the Pirates winning 3-0 (15-6, 15-10, 15-10). Men's record fell to 7-8 overall and 4-3 in the conference.

"We are . . .

Yellowjackets teach lesson of day.

Aleksi Valta
Stylus Reporter

Yellowjackets came to the game with 19-3 record and showed the Pirates, 8-9 record, an important lesson about the game - points count. Although the

Yellowjackets won the game in three games (15-10, 15-5, 15-7) it was a lesson

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wrap-up

Nationals were not held this year for men's volleyball, but the Pirates advanced to the MIVA-NAIA conference tournament final by beating number one seed Columbia College 3-1. In the final they lost to Tri-State University 3-0. The regular season record for the team was 16-17.

women's volleyball



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Women's Volleyball

The Lady Pirate volleyball team has started their season off 1-1, before beating conference rival William Woods University 3 games to 1.

Missouri Baptist College defeated Park College in 4 games, evening Park's conference record to 1-1. Their next matches will come in the Dana College Tournament on Friday and Saturday Sept. 18-19, in Blair, Nebraska.



Young Women show heart

The women's volleyball team has pikers beat their conference rivals Woods University Owls on Sept. 8 3-0 to another conference rival McKendree College 1-3 on Sept. 23. end of September, the Pirates' record 7-11, and they are 1-2 in the confer-

The Pirates' team looks different year. They lost their four-time All-conference setter Janel Ikeda and a three-

played only two home games so far. The L
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Inconsistency is the sign of youth and inexperience on our team. Our team is young, and we make easy mistakes.

--Coach Miles

Conference middle blocker Nikki Sanderson. "I've been here for four years," says the Women's Head Volleyball Coach





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Women's Soccer



By Esa Lehto
Stylus Report

Women's soccer team remains 15th in nation

The women's soccer team remained in 15th place in the national rankings the week of Sept. 28. A week ago, they traveled to Minnesota for two matches. The Pirates tied Saint Cloud State University 1-1 with a goal by junior Summer Frederick. On Sunday they crashed the College of



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Lady Pirates rates soccer ranked 15th; split two OT's

Esa Lehikoinen
Stylus Reporter

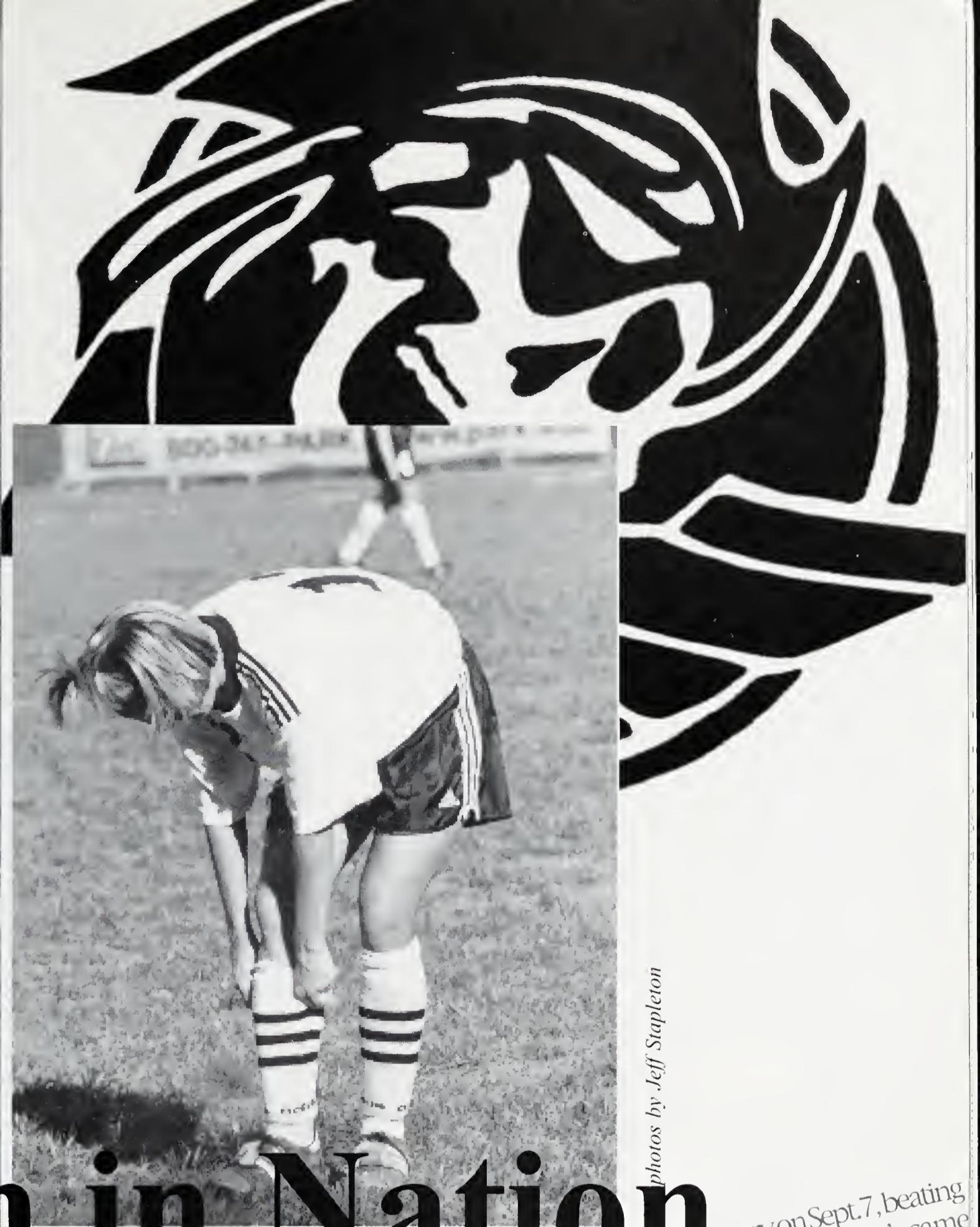
The Lady Pirate soccer team's national ranking stayed steady at number 15 last week after winning one and losing a second overtime match.

They came out with 3-2 away loss against Oklahoma City University with goals by sophomore Lisa Kerley, and senior Jaimie Luce. Homecoming weekend brought them the second overtime game of the week. This time, the Pirates squeezed out a 2-1 win with goals by junior Kari Rowe, and Luce.

"Well, if we aren't learning anything from the overtime games," says Jamie Hemingway, women's soccer



Park College ranked



15th in Nation Women's Soccer

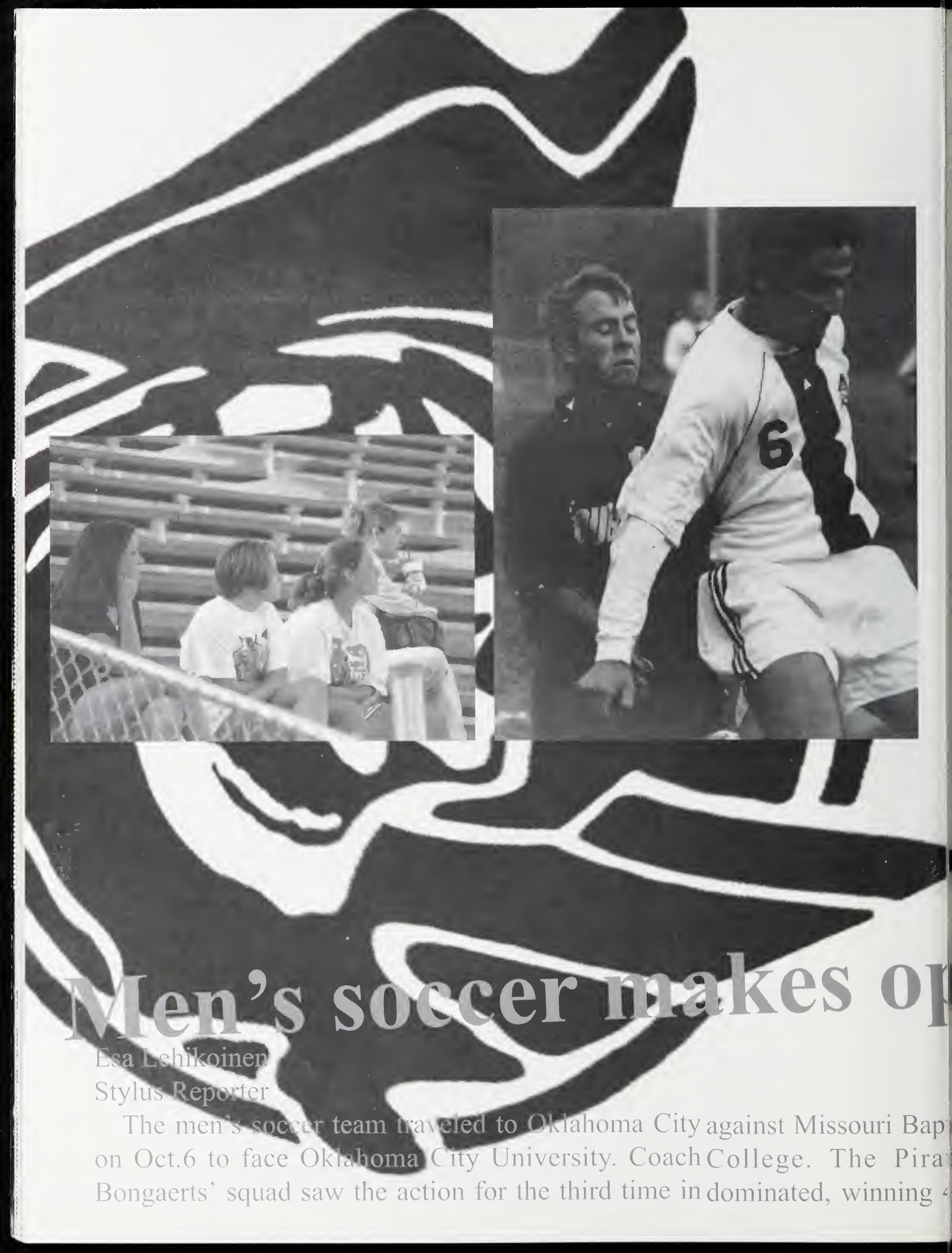
The Park College Women's soccer program came out of the box with the preseason ranking of 14th for NAIA Division I.

The first game of the season Park was upset by #18 Southern Nazarene University 2-1 on Sept. 4. There only game from senior Magan Kros on an assist by junior

ior Kara Kerley, Park claimed their first victory on Sept. 7, beating #9 ranked St. Mary's College 2-1. St. Mary's came into the match with a record of 0-1-1. Senior Veruska Corigliano propelled the team to victory notching in 2 goals, not including one that was disallowed.

From there, the Lady Pirates destroyed Baker University 3-0. Senior Richelle Ingram recorded the shutout with 11 saves. Goals came from sophomores Kerley, Megan Kros, and senior Katie Lang. As were chipped in by Jaimie Luce and Kros. Park also defeated Saint

photos by Jeff Stapleton



Men's soccer makes op

Esa Lehikoinen
Stylus Reporter

The men's soccer team traveled to Oklahoma City against Missouri Baptist on Oct. 6 to face Oklahoma City University. Coach College. The Pirates' Bongaerts' squad saw the action for the third time in dominated, winning 4-



photos by Jeff Stapleton

MEN'S SOCCER

ponent walk the plank

the newly named Julian Field. Chaka was named the player of the week for the week of Oct. 12 in the American Midwest four days, and came back with the third loss of the season. OCU prevailed 5-2., dropping the men's conference after two solid performances. The men had a tough weekend scheduled to 9-3-1. In earlier action, senior Teddy Chaka nailed a hat-trick and senior Manuel Cobos added

Levi Young tries to score in the last game of the season against Columbia College (**bottom**), John Trye catches his breath (**right**).



Men fall short in first eve

The Park College Men's Soccer team enjoyed their first ever Conference championship game this season, but came up short in a battle against Columbia College and lost 2-1. It was a heartbreak for a team that had earned home field advantage for the playoffs and it put a sour end on an otherwise stellar season.



Conference Championship game

photos by Jeff Stapleton



Parkville, home of the Pirates





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The lovely Catherine Zeta Jones starred in the *Mask of Zorro* with Antonio Banderas (**top left**), newcomer Tara Reid made audiences scream as a sex advisor in *Urban Legends* (**bottom left**), Jennifer Love-Hewitt hit paydirt again in the sequel *I'll Know what you did Last Summer*, and the party film *Can't Hardly Wait* (**above**).

SPC 101: Intro to Spice Girls



Victoria Adams = Posh Spice

Melanie Chisholm = Sporty Spice

Emma Bunton = Baby Spice



Girl Power!

If you wanna be my lover...



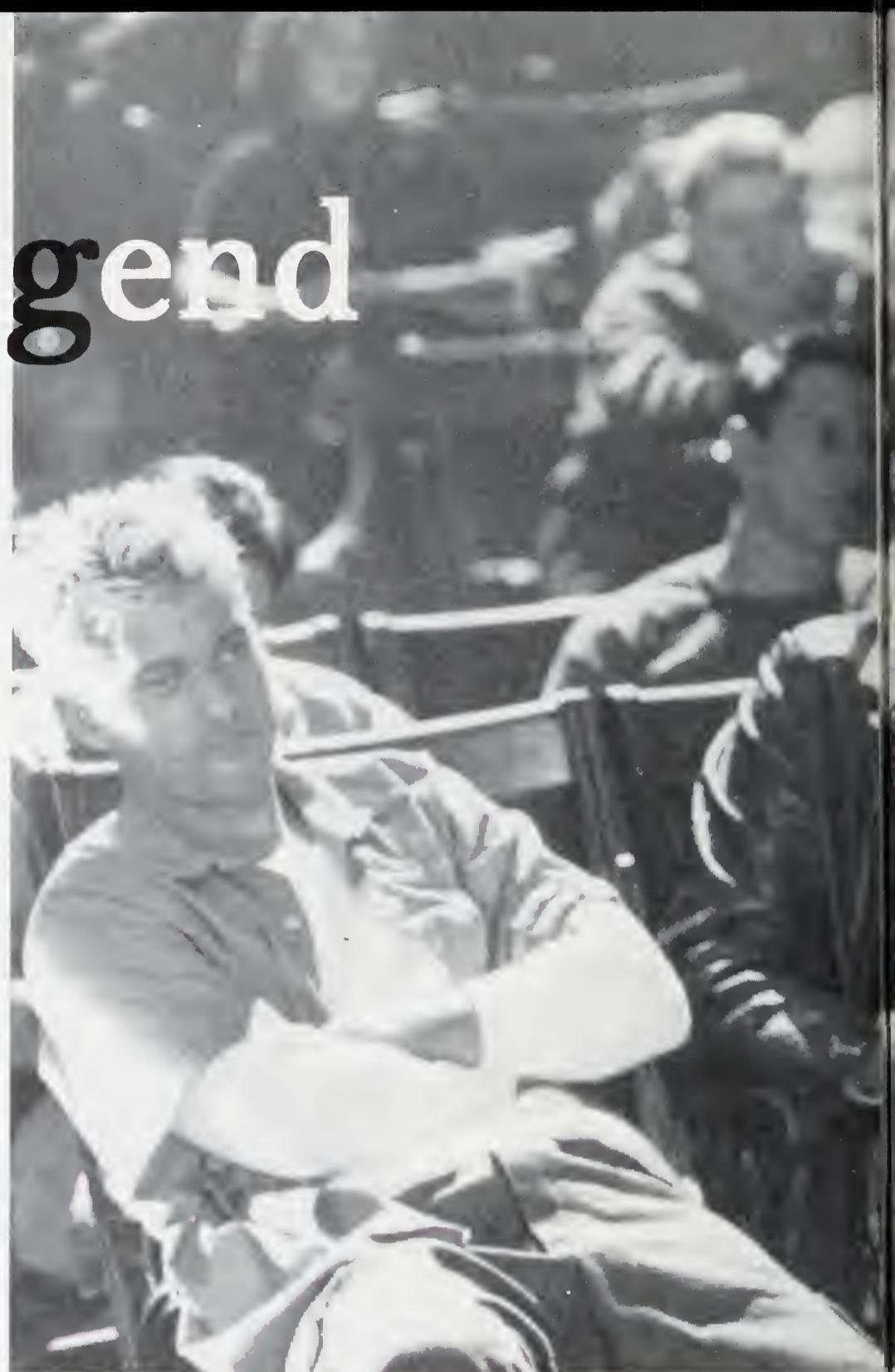
Melanie Brown = Scary Spice



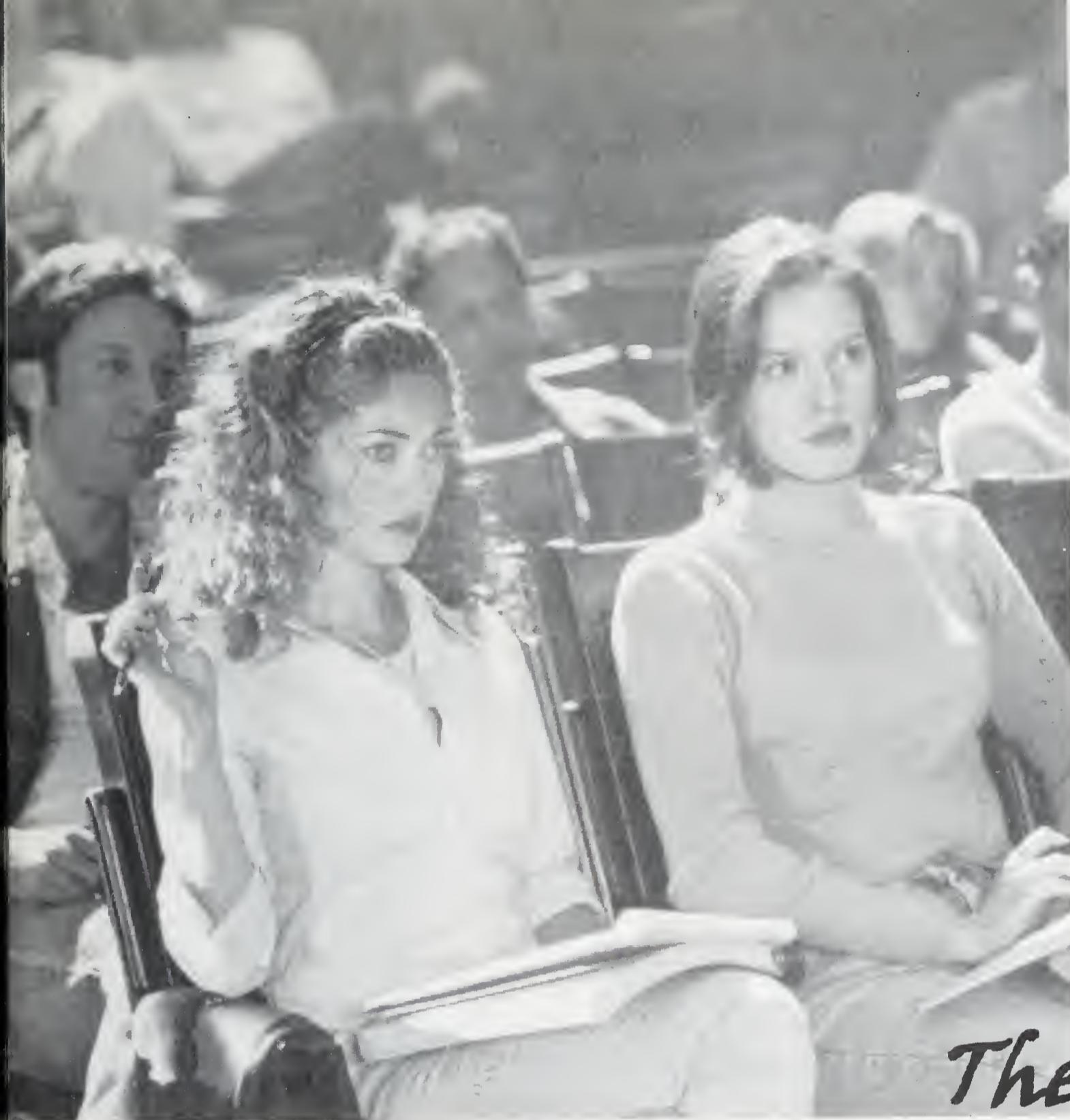
Geri Halliwell = Ginger Spice

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Urban Legend



Can't Hardly Wait



Rebecca Gayheart took accurate notes in *Urban Legend* class (left), Lauren Ambrose and Ethan Embry shared a meaningful conversation in *Can't Hardly Wait* (far left), three Fat Boy wanna-bes struck a pose in *Can't Hardly Wait* (bottom left), and Antonio banderas donned the *Mask of Zorro* (below)

The Mask of Zorro



**If you were a Spice Girl
what would your 'Spice'
name be?**

**"I dunno. But I
gotta' wear gloves
because those spices
are hot."**

-John Trye



"Greedy Spice."
-Nicole Terzis



"Surly Spice."
-Sarah Seidleman

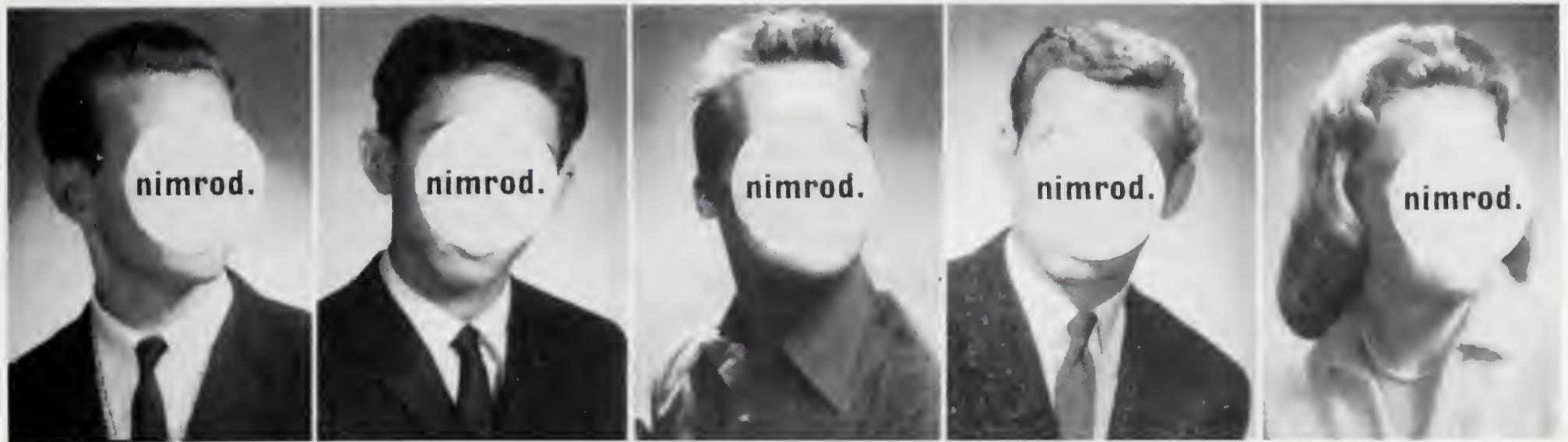
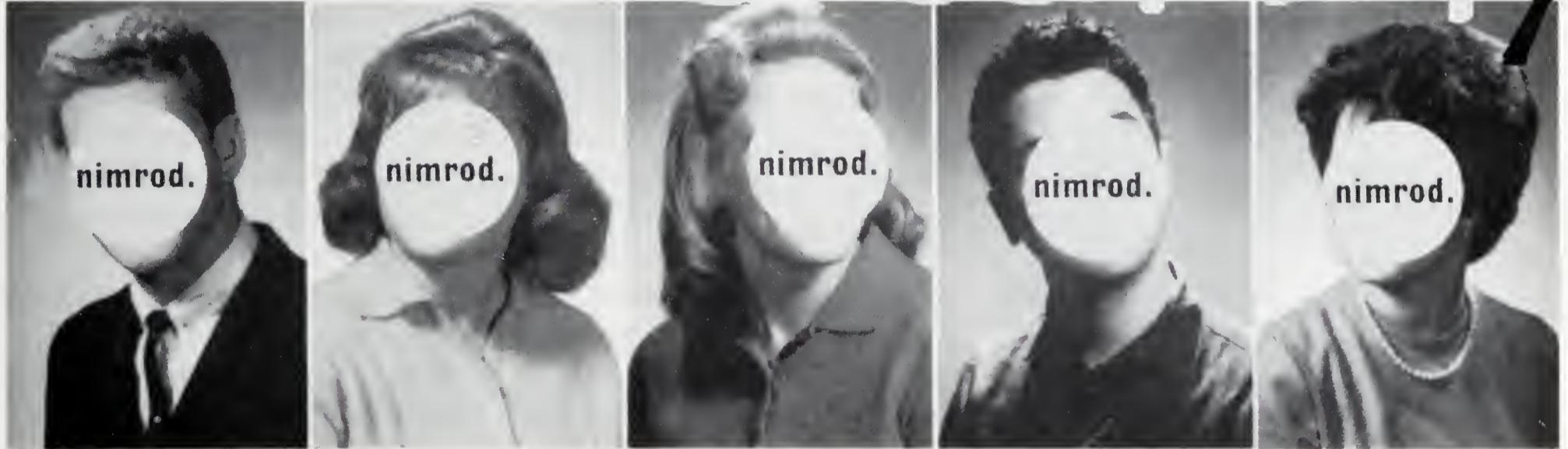


**"Illegal immigrant
spice."**
-Erin Moor





Alanis Morissette (right) had a new album this year along with Puff Daddy (above) and the Family and Green Day (below).



Who's

One thing is for sure, both of these characters have been around longer than most video-gamers, but one question remains: Who's the Baddest?

by Jeff Stapleton
Editor-in-chief

There are a handful of eternal questions. These questions have sought an answer for years but have never found it. Questions like: "Which is better, Chocolate or Vanilla?" or "Which was the best Star Wars movie?" or the eternal "Ginger or Maryann?"

In this same vein of eternal puzzlement comes this question: "Who's the baddest videogame character ever? Link from *The Legend of Zelda* or *Mega Man*?"

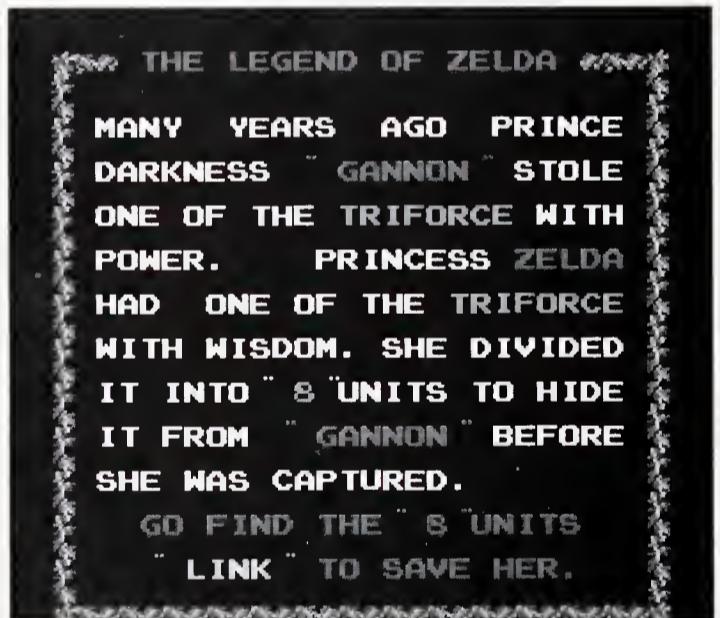
Both characters are over eleven years old now and have lasted through several systems and companies. They've outlasted the many fads and trends in video games for over a decade of service. But one of them must be better, even if it's only slightly, right?

Link's history begins on the Nintendo Entertainment System, the system that started the entire video game revolution. In 1986, Nintendo released *The Legend of Zelda* for its own system. The game starred a character named Link. It ushered in a new era of gaming. The game took place in the land of Hyrule, the area covered by the virtual land of Hyrule

was a breakthrough. Never before had gamers had so much area to explore, in fact it dwarfed all of the previous games combined. The Nintendo system was a huge success because of games like *The Legend of Zelda*.

In 1987, a game just as revolutionary as *Zelda* was released by a small company called Capcom. The game was *Mega Man*. It rushed the feel of arcade gaming into any living room. The game's graphics stood so far out from the crowd that the game doubled Capcom's revenue for the entire year. *Mega Man* may not have had a great, shiny gold cartridge like *Zelda*'s, but it was every part *Zelda*'s equal. It introduced multiple paths to its final stage, something never seen before. *Mega Man* also had dozens of weapons to collect, as well as dozens of items. The game was so popular, especially its main character, a little blue robot known as *Mega Man*. He has even earned a nickname, 'The Blue bomber.'

Over the past eleven years we have been treated to 4 more *Legend of Zelda* sequels and a whopping 14 *Mega Man* sequels.



Bad?

In those eleven years and many sequels Link and Mega Man have enjoyed mega-popularity in the form of toys, posters, comics and even Saturday morning cartoons. That's right, both of these bad boys had a Saturday morning cartoon show of their own.

So what separates the history of the Blue Bomber and Link? Mainly, their creators and technology. While Mega Man has always stuck with the side scrolling platform gaming that made it a success in the first place, Link has had many different infusions of gameplay. Nintendo has always used Link to push new technology and show off their capabilities. Capcom on the other hand has always sought to please Mega fans with what they seem to want, more of the same. Capcom, however, is not trapped on one system like *The Legend of Zelda* is, so Mega Man has been on far more systems than Link could possibly have imagined, giving him a larger market base.

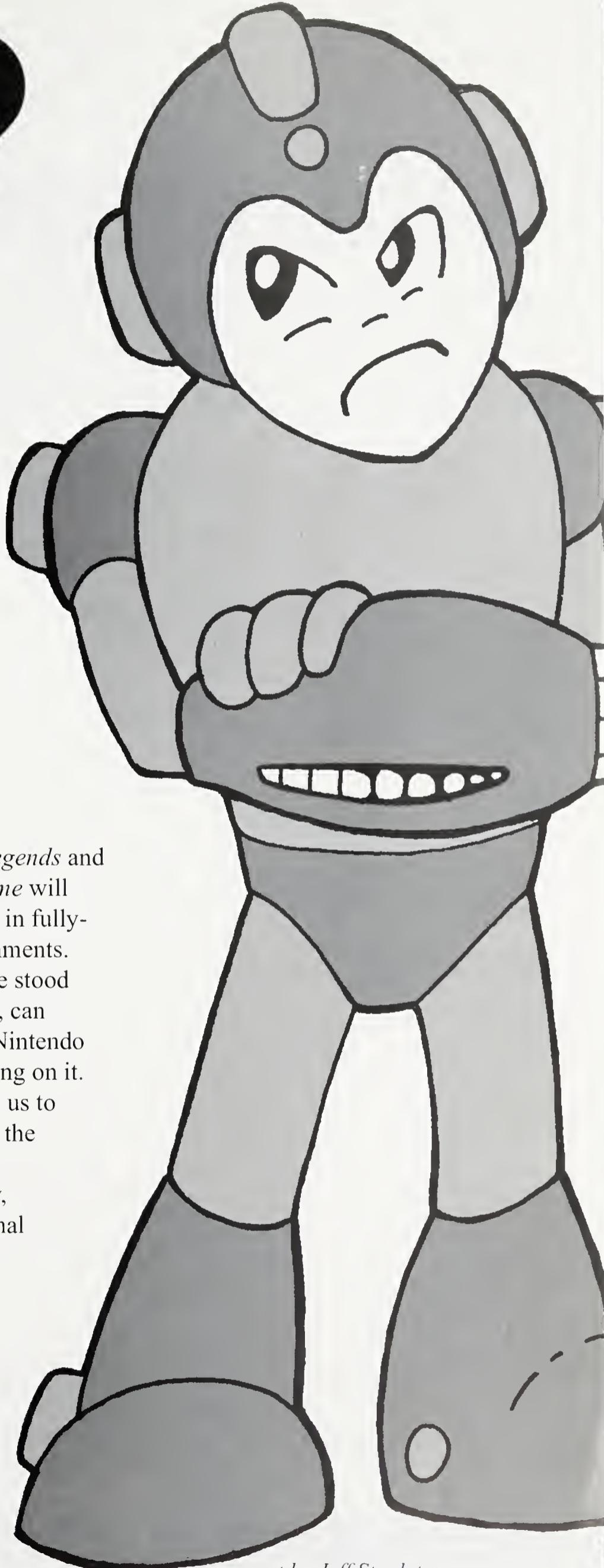
Even with these slight differences, both Mega Man's and Link's history will once again converge. Technology has made the older versions of these heroes look like black and white television does today. So in an effort to update these cash-cows, both Nintendo and Capcom have followed the example of games like *Tomb Raider* and *Resident*

Evil. The 3-D polygons used in these games have created the next wave in gaming, and rather than letting Mega and Link fall by the wayside, Nintendo and Capcom have made new games, both released this year, using polygon technology.

Mega Man Legends and *Zelda: Ocarina of Time* will both show the heroes in fully-rendered 3-D environments. These characters have stood the test of time so far, can they keep doing it? Nintendo and Capcom are betting on it.

So that brings us to the question: "Who's the baddest?"

Unfortunately, like all the other eternal questions, Chocolate vs. Vanilla, Milli vs. Vanilli, and *Return of the Jedi* vs. *Empire Strikes Back*, this question will never have a correct answer, only years of debate.



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